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## ELECTION COSTS IN CENTRE COUNTY WERE \$4,880.25

9500 Votes Cost 51 Cents Each—Election Boards Biggest Expense.

The election on November 2nd cost Centre county \$4,880.25, according to figures secured from the County Commissioners and the County Treasurer.

Although the County Commissioners expended the above amount so that approximately 23,000 registered voters could exercise their franchise on November 2nd, only 9500 took advantage of such right. It cost the county, therefore, 51 cents for each of those 9500 votes, yet each tax payer contributed his part of the expenses, which a little more than a third enjoyed.

County Treasurer J. O. Heverly paid out \$2,662.70 to the election boards of the 65 precincts. This money covers the salary of the judges for sitting at the polls and making the return, the inspectors, clerks and constables for attending the election and setting up the booths, room rent in all districts, except a few in which elections are held in county-owned or township-owned polling places.

The approximate average cost per precinct is about \$75, the exact amount depending upon the mileage of the judge in making the return of the number of votes cast in his precinct. The officers of each election board receive \$5 per day with an additional dollar for every hundred votes or fraction thereof over 250.

Other expenses entering into the total cost of the election included \$487.55 for printing the ballots. Three county newspapers accomplished the ballots, charging the county an average of \$7.50 per precinct. There were 23,000 ballots printed. The delivery of the ballots to the respective judges cost \$105. Miscellaneous election supplies, such as return sheets, etc., cost \$295. Advertising the election through the medium of the Sheriff's proclamation cost \$290, while it cost \$40 to have the official tabulation of the vote made.

## Ten Above Zero.

Friday morning mercury dropped to ten above zero. This was on a U. S. weather bureau thermometer. This is probably a record for cold for this season at this season of the year. Bellefonte reported two degrees warmer.

Potatoes not yet lifted are counted a total loss owing to the freeze. Many bushels of apples yet on trees were also frozen.

## Ladies Kill Pheasants.

A party of five hunters—Mr. and Mrs. Harry Weaver, of Bellefonte, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Shreckengast, of Zion, and H. E. Shreckengast, of Centre Hall, during a two days' hunting last week, killed seventeen pheasants and a gray squirrel. Each of the ladies killed two or more of the pheasants, and the squirrel was also killed by one of them.

## STATE S. S. ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETS.

James A. Lansing, Scranton, Chairman—Working Budget of \$66,000 Considered.—Kansasataka Swimming Pool Nearing Completion.

The new board of directors of the Pennsylvania State Sabbath School Association met in the association's board room at 1511 Arch street, Philadelphia, Wednesday last week. They organized for the coming year by electing James A. Lansing, of Scranton, as chairman of the board; Rev. Walter E. Greenway, D. D., of Philadelphia, as secretary; H. E. Paisley, of Philadelphia, treasurer, and Romain C. Haserick, of Philadelphia, legal counsel. As the State's representatives on the executive committee of the International Council of Religious Education the chairman appointed: Clifford S. Heinz, of Pittsburgh; H. C. Heckerman, of Bedford; and Walter E. Myers, of Philadelphia.

A working budget amounting to \$66,000 for the year was considered and with adjustments adopted. Plans were made and will be put into working to-morrow's coming year, the greatest in the history of the Sunday schools of Pennsylvania with a desire to press it to its unusual accomplishment in the way of increased Sunday School attendance, more 100 per cent. counties and an enlarged working force to President Percy L. Craig in October, 1927, at which time the annual convention will be held in President Craig's home town of New Castle.

All the State association committees were appointed for the coming year with the following chairmen: Executive, James A. Lansing, Scranton; finance, Clifford S. Heinz, Pittsburgh; children's, Ives L. Harvey, Bellefonte; young people's, H. C. Heckerman, Bedford; adult, John W. Vickerman, Bellevue; administrative, D. M. Wagoner, Irwin; temperance, John W. Vickerman, Bellevue; building, Harvey E. Paisley, Philadelphia; State camps, H. C. Heckerman, Bedford; Christian education, H. E. Paisley; publicity, H. C. Heckerman; missionary, John E. Person, Williamsport.

Three months beginning latter part of January, have been set aside from the regular work of the association staff in order that they may spend a full week in every county in the State devoting that week in holding helpful conferences in each county. The camp committee reported that the new \$10,000 concrete swimming pool at Camp Kansasataka was making progress and nearing completion.

All divisional reports were received and showed a fine spirit of enthusiasm over the work being accomplished.

## SEVENTIETH CONGRESS DRY.

221 Drys, 114 Wets in House; in Senate 73 Drys, 23 Wets.

Pennsylvania will have a mixed delegation on the Prohibition issue in the new congress following the recent election. The Pennsylvania delegation is divided about evenly with most of the wet members from Pittsburgh and Philadelphia districts.

Senator David A. Reed and Senator-elect William S. Vare are both listed with the wets in the senate. According to Wayne B. Wheeler, general counsel and legislative agent for the Anti-Saloon League of America, the house will stand 221 dry to 114 wets, and the senate 73 dry to 23 wets, in the 70th congress. The Association Opposed to the Prohibition Amendment and other wet organizations claim that members heretofore listed as drys, like senators Walsh and Wheeler of Montana, and their colleagues in the house, and will favor modification of the Volstead Act because of wet decisions in the referendum votes in Montana, and other states, but the substantial accuracy of the estimate made by the Anti-Saloon League as to the relative strength of the wets and drys in the 70th congress is not disputed.

Few changes in the personnel of the committees which have jurisdiction over the Volstead act and amendments thereto are seen at Washington as a result of the election.

The house judiciary committee will again be headed by a wet chairman, Graham, Republican, of Philadelphia. Representative J. Banks Kurtz, of Altoona, is a dry member of this committee, of which both Republican and Democratic membership is overwhelmingly dry.

Three vacancies must be filled on the senate judiciary committee, but even if the wets should capture all three places, which is unlikely, the committee would remain dry. The late Senator Cummins of Iowa, chairman, Senator Ernst of Kentucky, and Senator Harrell of Oklahoma, all drys, are the three solons whose seats must be filled in the new senate. Cummins will probably be succeeded as chairman by Norris of Nebraska, who is strongly opposed to repeal of the 18th amendment or modification of existing enforcement laws.

In view of the situation in house and senate and the preponderant majority of drys on the committees having jurisdiction of liquor legislation, it is foreseen in Washington that no measure opposing to repeal or vitally change the terms of the Volstead Act will have a chance of passage through the 70th congress.

## The Groves Good Hunters.

The Groves proved themselves good hunters the first day small game came in at which time Gardner B. Grove and two sons, Guyer and Russell, each killed the limit of six squirrels. Russell Rungart and Mr. Hicks, also members of the party, succeeded in killing nine more squirrels, the former getting six and the latter three. The party also killed thirteen rabbits.

Elsewhere mention is made of a large eagle having been killed by the elder Grove.

## Red Cross Roll Call.

During this week a committee of High school girls will call on citizens to secure enrollment of membership in the Red Cross. The membership fee is \$1.00. We should have a complete enrollment of adults for a cause so worthy as the Red Cross.

## Heir Buys Stamp Property.

The Alvin Stump property, located near Manor Hill school along the Boalburg road west of Earlstown, was sold on Saturday to Robert Herman, of Philadelphia, for the sum of \$550. The place contains almost eleven acres and has good buildings on it. There was but one bid beside that by Mr. Herman.

## Meeting of Pomona Grange.

There will be a regular quarterly meeting of the Centre County Pomona Grange, at Unionville, in the Grange hall, Saturday, November 20. The usual forenoon and afternoon sessions will be held.—J. Gross Shook, Sec'y.

## Corn Borer Increasing.

It is estimated that there are five times as many corn borers in the state this year as there were last. Thirty counties now have the pest. This section lies north and west of a line drawn from a point just south of Pittsburgh to the extreme northeastern corner of the state.

Prevention of serious damage by the pest is in the hands of the farmer. The control program briefly stated includes cutting the corn low and early, using the sickle to the limit, shredding all stover, piling down, raking and burning standing stalks, high stubble and hogged-off corn, plowing all corn stubble land cleanly, shelling all corn and burning the cobs by May 15.

## Oysters for Thanksgiving.

Persons desiring oysters for Thanksgiving should place their order within the next few days, to insure delivery.—Wilbur Bland, Centre Hall.

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONFERENCE.

Under Guidance of Centre County Sabbath School Association to Meet in Episcopal Church, Bellefonte, on Saturday.

The annual Young People's Conference of Centre county will be held in the Methodist church in Bellefonte on Saturday, Nov. 20th. Every school is entitled to three delegates and the registration fee is \$1.50, which includes banquet in the evening. A helpful program has been provided and it is hoped that a large number will attend. The theme of the conference is "Adventuring for Christ."

There will be three sessions—at 9:30 a. m., 2 and 7 p. m. The conference will close early to accommodate those who come from a distance. The evening meal will be served by the ladies of the church and will be free to the delegates. The noon meal may also be served in the church, although that has not been decided.

The State association is sending two of its staff to help with the program and we can expect much that is worth while. The general topic of the conference is "Ideals," and Miss Marian Thompson, of Pottsville, will be in charge of that part of the program. There will also be two talks on "Bible Study" by a speaker trained in this field.

The conference is open to all who wish to be present and we trust it will be largely attended. We hope to find a way to stimulate the young people of Centre county with a more earnest desire to follow their Master and live a life of influence for Him.

## New Rural Mail Carrier.

Edgar Miller was named carrier on rural mail route No. 2 from Centre Hall by Postmaster R. M. Smith, and made his first trip Tuesday, returning on record time. The appointment will hold until a regular appointment is made after a competitive civil service examination for the position is held, which will likely be during January of next year.

Mr. Miller has been assistant cashier in the First National bank, and in that capacity gave a service entirely satisfactory. The bank officials and the patrons regret his leaving the institution.

## "Gas Wagon" on L. & T.

A gas driven car is being given a tryout on the L. & T. between Bellefonte and Sunbury, taking the place of the regular morning train east and evening train west. It will run all of this week and if the experiment proves satisfactory a similar car will be put on later to run permanently. The car carrying the motor has considerable passenger capacity. A regular express car is used as a trailer and affords accommodations for express, baggage and mail.

## Needle Supper and Bazaar.

The ladies of the Golden Eagle lodge will hold a needle supper and bazaar, Saturday evening, in their lodge room. Adults, 50 cents per plate; children, 35 cents.

## The Little Ads Are Wonder Workers.

The expenditure of "two bits" a quarter of a dollar, is a trifling thing, but when invested in a "want," "for sale," or what have you ad, it pays handsomely. Here's how it works out in the Reporter, according to a satisfied user of these columns:

"Several years ago I put an ad. in the Reporter in order to sell a cow. There were about thirty answers to it. I also put the same ad. in... naming a county paper of large circulation and did not get a reply.—R. F. Williams, Centre Hall."

## FARM CALENDAR

Timely Reminders from The Pennsylvania State College

Work with Ornamentals—Outdoors, plant all kinds of deciduous material, so long as dormant. Indoors, gradually start heat and accustom the house plants to winter conditions.

Home-Grown Roughage Best.—Alfalfa or clover hay and corn silage make ideal roughage for dairy cows. These crops should be grown regularly on all dairy farms, say specialists of the Pennsylvania State College.

Prevent Poultry Colds.—To prevent colds in the poultry flock keep the hen houses dry, allow at least eight inches of perch room per bird, and provide plenty of green food. A dose of epsom salts, at the rate of one pound of salts to each 400 pounds of poultry, fed in a wet mash, may do a great deal to get the affected flock back into condition.

Where Rust Corrupts—Is the farm machinery put away for the winter? The great open spaces make poor tool sheds. The roof leaks and other weather extremes work havoc.

Stop the Corn Borer—Farmers have control of the European corn borer in their own hands largely. Farm practices, including clean culture, must be relied upon to stop this destructive insect pest. Other folks can help, too, by not carrying corn from infested territory to clean regions.

## HOLTZWORTH IS NEW COUNTY COMMISSIONER

From the long list of Republicans who claimed special fitness to serve on the board of County Commissioners, Judge Harry Keller appointed Howard Holtzworth, of Unionville. The appointment was made Tuesday morning. The new commissioner, who fills the vacancy on the board due to the death of Harry Austin, is the minority party commissioner. His associates are John S. Spearly and James W. Swabb.

Mr. Holtzworth will serve until January, 1928. His successor will be elected November previous.

## Killed Large Eagle.

An eagle with a spread over the wings of seven feet, one inch, and from beak to tip of tail three feet, was killed on Saturday by Gardner B. Grove on the Leeb tract on Nittany Mountain, east of Centre Hall. The bird has a wonderful beak and talons. It required three shots of No. 6 pellets to bring it to earth. When first seen the bird rose from some logs. Mr. Grove thinks the eagle had just finished making a meal on a fawn, or some other game, because it had blood on both its beak and claws. Sunday he made an effort to find the remainder of the carcass he supposed the bird had been feeding upon, but was unsuccessful.

Guyer Grove and Andrew Mark were hunting with the elder Grove. The former shot two pheasants and several squirrels, and the latter two pheasants, two squirrels and one rabbit.

## Bugs to Fight Corn Borers.

Exeristes robortus and habrobracon brevicornis, two insects whose predatory habits are as formidable as their names, are being introduced by Dominion entomologists to prey upon the European corn borer.

Resembling armored cockroaches and bearing deadly stingers, the foreign parasites are natural foes of the corn borer pest. They feed upon the larvae and adults of the borer, but so far as has been determined, are harmless to crops.

Hosts of the insect warriors are being cultured and liberated at regular intervals. The insects were imported from the corn-growing regions of Hungary with the aid of the United States corn borer experiment station at Arlington, Mass.

## 400-BUSHEL CLUB NOW HAS THIRTY MEMBERS

Three new counties represented in Famous Potato Fraternity—One Grower Shows 400-Bu. Yield for Past Four Years.

Twelve more names were added to the rolls of the Keystone 400-Bushel (Potato) Club during the past week. There are 29 enrolled already with several more reported unofficially. E. L. Nixon, extension potato specialist of the Pennsylvania State College, announces.

Three counties, never before represented in the famous potato fraternity, now have members. They are Elk, Northumberland and Westmoreland. They are represented by Edgar Overturn, 221 bushels; Clark B. Hower, 418.5 bushels, and E. G. George, 407 bushels, respectively.

R. B. Simons, Wayne county, repeated again this year. He has grown more than four hundred bushels every year for four years. His yield this year was 425.2 bushels, the best he ever has had.

LeRoy Smith, Erie county, one of the founders of the club in 1922, but never a member, grew 427 bushels this year. Another Erie countian enrolled this year is S. S. Lehman, former county agent of that county. He grew 402.6 bushels.

## Bulletin of Amusements and Sports.

This week's issue of the Reporter contains a bulletin of amusements and sports in Altoona during the coming week. It will be a regular feature of this newspaper and is published under the auspices of the Altoona Booster Association.

The Strand Theatre announces as a feature picture, "Forever After," featuring Mary Astor and Lloyd Hughes. This is a touching drama of modern American life covering a period of years from a little New England school house to a college campus. Music furnished by regular 10-piece orchestra.

The Olympic features Tom Mix in a powerful Western drama, "Hard Boiled," while at the Capitol, direct from six months on Broadway, is the feature picture, "Variety." (Something different.)

The State Theatre will show the feature picture "Sweet Rosy O'Grady" with Shirley Mason and Cullen Landis. Added attractions—famous "Red Arrow" quartette, which broadcasts regularly from WNYC, New York.

## TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

H. L. Ebricht has installed a Franklin radio in his home, purchased from the W. R. Hosterman agency.

Miss Anna Sweeney, of Boalsburg, has been a guest of her aunt, Mrs. Elizabeth Jacobs, during the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest L. Adams, former residents of Centre Hall, motored to Centre Hall from their home in Millburg, on Friday.

Pennsylvania State Grange will meet in Lancaster, December 14th. The third annual session of the State Grange was held there in 1875, fifty-one years ago, but none since.

Six or more tires were stolen from the Peteroff garage, one night last week. The tires were removed from used cars, but were the best from the large selection. No cards were left.

Mrs. Isalah Fleisher and daughter, Miss Margaret Fleisher, of Philadelphia, after having visited about Bellefonte for a week, came to Centre Hall on Friday, taking rooms at the G. B. Grove home.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde E. Bradford and children, on Friday morning, left for Pittsburgh, in their new Chevrolet sedan, and until Sunday were guests of their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bauer.

In determining what you will do about buying Christmas seals this year, keep in mind that the work the seals make possible is not alone for the unfortunate. It holds guardianship over the community.

One of the classes of ladies in the Lutheran Sunday school, taught by Mrs. S. W. Smith, recently completed two quilts which will be sent to the Loveville Orphan Home. The quilting was done at the home of Mrs. W. H. Homan.

A gas propelled car is doing service regularly on the railroad between Lewistown and Milroy, the steam passenger train having been disposed of. The new service appears to be ample and is said to be satisfactory to patrons of the road.

Miss Jennie K. Reifsnyder, of Millheim, sold her farm in Penn township, at present tenanted by John E. Burd, to Charles H. Rossman, who will occupy the place in the spring. Mr. Burd will tenant the Wolfe farm, in Haines township, recently purchased by his father-in-law, I. W. Vonada.

A hearing was to have been held before Squire Woodring, in Bellefonte, Friday afternoon, growing out of a collision of cars driven by Cyrus Wagner, of Altoona, and John Hemmis, of Wilkes-Barre, on Labor Day. The accident occurred near the diamond in Centre Hall. The Wilkes-Barre man, for some reason, failed to appear.

Excavations are being made for the erection of the new bridge in Mann's Narrows, south of Reidsville. The contractor has had steam shovels at work for two weeks. When completed, the concrete bridge will do service for autos, trolley line, and railroad. The building of the bridge is being accomplished without interfering with auto traffic.

Joseph E. Ruble, the young sailor, was an arrival on Friday at the home of his mother, Mrs. Sallie Ruble, in Centre Hall, from off the U. S. S. Seattle now at Brooklyn Navy Yard. Mr. Ruble enlisted December, 1924, and this is his first visit home since in the service. He likes the service very much and is looking fine and fit in the Navy blue.

Mr. and Mrs. William A. Smith and daughter, and Prof. Howard Harren and Mrs. Harren, of Montgomery, on their return home from seeing the Penn State-Bucknell football game, on Saturday, stopped with the Reporter for a few minutes. Mr. Smith is general manager of the Penn Furniture company, and Prof. Harren is the instructor in mathematics in the Montgomery High school.

Fire of an unknown origin destroyed a tractor for Hogan Long of Jacksontonville, says the Mountain Times. Long had just removed his tractor from the barn of James Bartley when he noticed flames. He tried to extinguish them but they gained headway and soon ignited the gasoline, causing the tank to explode. Mr. Long had purchased the tractor from J. S. Condo, also of that place, in the spring.

G. E. Robinson, of Pittsburgh, a hardware salesman, and George O. Benner, of town, a retired merchant, took an invoice of the merchandise in the George R. Meiss store, at Colyer, previous to the store having been taken over by Harry S. Goodyear, of Wilkesburg. The Goodyear family is now living at Colyer. A daughter-in-law and grandson of the Goodyears, were their guests for a few days last week.

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